

WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P.

BRUCE TITTEL
DONALD F. FREI
DAVID J. JOSEPHIC
DAVID S. STALLARD
J. ROBERT CHAMBERS
GREGORY J. LUNN
KURT L. GROSSMAN
CLEMENT H. LUKEN, JR.
THOMAS J. BURGER
GREGORY F. AHRENS
WAYNE L. JACOBS
KURT A. SUMME
KEVIN G. ROONEY
KEITH R. HAUPT
THEODORE R. REMAKLUS
THOMAS W. HUMPHREY
SCOTT A. STINEBRUNER
DAVID H. BRINKMAN
BEVERLY A. LYMAN, PH.D.

OF COUNSEL
JOHN D. POFFENBERGER
THOMAS W. FLYNN

2700 CAREW TOWER

441 VINE STREET

CINCINNATI, OHIO 45202-2917

TELEPHONE: 513-241-2324

FACSIMILE: 513-241-6234

EMAIL: info@whepatent.com

PATENT, TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT
AND UNFAIR COMPETITION LAW
AND RELATED LITIGATION

EDMUND P. WOOD	1923-1968
TRUMAN A. HERRON	1935-1976
EDWARD B. EVANS	1938-1971

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
NOV 04 2004

JOSEPH R. JORDAN
C. RICHARD EBY
DAVID E. PRITCHARD

J. DWIGHT POFFENBERGER, JR.
KATHRYN E. SMITH
KRISTI L. DAVIDSON
P. ANDREW BLATT, PH.D.
DAVID E. JEFFERIES
WILLIAM R. ALLEN, PH.D.
JOHN PAUL DAVIS
DOUGLAS A. SCHOLER
BRETT A. SCHATZ
DAVID W. DORTON
SARAH OTTE GRABER
STEVEN W. BENINTENDI, PH.D.
RANDALL S. JACKSON, JR.

TECHNICAL ADVISORS
HENRY M. LABODA, PH.D.

November 4, 2004

FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

To: Examiner Michael J. Hayes
Group Unit No. 3763
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Fax: 703-872-9306

From: David E. Jefferies

Re: **Response to Office Action and
Amendment**
Our File: L-F-180DV
U.S.A. Application Serial No.
09/764,630
Filed January 18, 2001
Improved Syringe/Plunger Coupling
Goethel et al.

Pages: 16 (including cover sheet)

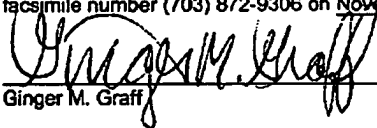
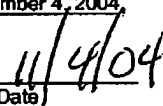
MESSAGE/COMMENTS

The information in this facsimile message is ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGED, WORK PRODUCT and/or CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION intended only for the use of the individual or entity to whom this message is addressed. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient or the employee or agent responsible for delivering it to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or reproduction of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please immediately notify us by telephone and return the original message to us at the above address via mail. Thank you. If transmission is interrupted or of poor quality, please notify us immediately by calling (513) 241-2324 and ask for the sender's assistant. OUR FAX NUMBER IS (513) 241-6234.

Application Serial No. 09/764,630
Response dated November 4, 2004
Reply to Office Action dated August 4, 2004

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
NOV 04 2004

PATENT

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at facsimile number (703) 872-9306 on November 4, 2004.	
 Ginger M. Graff	 Date

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No. 09/764,630
Filed: January 18, 2001
Applicant: Goethel et al.
Title: **SYRINGE/PLUNGER COUPLING**
Art Unit: 3763
Examiner: M. Hayes
Confirmation No: 8472
Atty. Docket: L-F-180DV

Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

November 4, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action, dated August 4, 2004, in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.